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THE WILD FLOWER PRESERVATION SOCIETY OF AMERICA

At a meeting of the executive committee of the board of managers of the Wild Flower Preservation Society of America held on December 15, 1915, a copy of the articles of incorporation was presented by Mr. Norman Taylor, and the secretary-treasurer was authorized to send out notices requesting the approval of the members. The report and financial statement of the secretary-treasurer were accepted after having been duly audited. It was also decided to present a resolution at the annual meeting of the Torrey Botanical Club, asking that TORREYA be the official organ of the Society, and that any additional expense be met by the Wild Flower Preservation Society of America. The secretary-treasurer was also authorized to have a button printed for sale and distribution, to be made from a design of the flower of the "American Laurel," a colored sketch of which has been prepared by Miss Eaton at Mrs. Britton's request. The budget for the following year was also approved.

The following officers were elected for the ensuing year:

PRESIDENT: Dr. C. F. Millspaugh, Field Museum, Chicago.

SECRETARY-TREASURER: Norman Taylor, Brooklyn Botanic Garden.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Dr. N. L. Britton

Dr. Arthur Hollick

Prof. Jean Broadhurst

Dr. M. A. Howe

Mr. William T. Davis

Dr. F. H. Knowlton

Prof. R. A. Harper

Miss Delia W. Marble

At the annual meeting of the Torrey Club held on January 11, 1916, the application of the Society to have TORREYA act as the

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official organ of the Wild Flower Preservation Society of America was approved. Hereafter notices to the members, and other matter of interest to them will appear in *TORREYA*,* and reprints of such notices will be made as occasion demands and mailed to members of the Society and others.

In connection with the button, mentioned above, one has been sent to each member of the Society and additional buttons will be furnished at the rate of 2 cents each, or \$1.50 per hundred. It is hoped that they will have a wide usefulness for school children and others.

Application for extra buttons, or any other information about the Society's business should be sent to the new secretary-treasurer,

NORMAN TAYLOR

BROOKLYN BOTANIC GARDEN,
BROOKLYN, N. Y.

COMMON MOSSES ACCORDING TO HABITAT. A NON-TECHNICAL DESCRIPTION BASED ON MACROSCOPICAL CHARACTERS

BY DAISY J. LEVY

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DESCRIPTION OF ACROCARPOUS SPECIES

AULACOMNIUM.

A. heterostichum.

Capsules wrinkled when dry. Costa ends below the apex. Capsule contracted. Operculum long rostrate. Plant radiculose. Mature in spring.

A. palustre.

Leaves light colored, long lanceolate, bearing numerous pseudopodia; serrate at apex, revolute below; erect spreading; transversely undulate; costa ending below the apex. Capsule curved, unsymmetric, plicate when dry. Operculum long beaked. Seta long. Plants light colored, yellow green; very tomentose. Mature in early summer.

BARBULA.

Leaves erect spreading, mucronate, margin recurved below; costa usually ends below the apex. Capsule small. Seta yellow; operculum beaked. Small tufted plants. Mature in winter.

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